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ROAD CONSTRUCTION/REPAIRS MAY CAUSE CEMENT CREEK TO BE DISCOLORED

Damage to the road in the area of the Gold King Mine that occurred due to the large amount of water that was released during the Gold King Mine release on August 5th is being repaired. Natural, earthen materials may enter Cement Creek waters causing some discoloration. This discoloration is NOT from mine waste. Care is being taken to reduce the amount of material that may enter the waters of Cement Creek. These repairs are needed so that road traffic can safely reach the mine sites located above the damage.

The San Juan County area has also been experiencing daily rains from the normal monsoon weather patterns. The additional rain being added to the natural drainages tends to increase stream flows that will stir up sediment. Public officials monitor the stream flows and have confirmed this current Cement Creek status is normal.

Again, any current discoloration that is being noticed has been confirmed to be caused by the road construction and the addition of monsoon rain. If you have any questions about the current stream flow please contact the Joint Information Center at **970-812-3351**.

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